

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
YUTAKA MARUYAMA, ET AL.)
Application No.: 10/700,852)
Filed: November 5, 2003)
For: A METHOD FOR PRODUCING A)
STACKED PIEZOELECTRIC)
ELEMENT)
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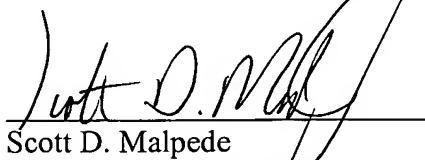
COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

In response to the Reasons for Allowance that accompanied the Notice of Allowability mailed June 10, 2005, Applicants respectfully wish to point out that the limitations identified in the statement appear to combine the features from all four independent claims, i.e., Claims 23-26. Of course, each independent claim has been deemed patentable in its own right.

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